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PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.



Government Notices.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
2nd December, 1871.

WHEREAS by Section 21 of "The Corrupt Practices Prevention Act, 1871," it is provided that:—

"21. A detailed statement of all Election expenses incurred by or on behalf of any Candidate, including such expected payments as aforesaid, shall, within two months after the Election (or in cases where by reason of the death of the creditor no bill has been sent in within such period of two months, then within one month after such bill has been sent in) be made out and signed by the agent, or if there be more than one, by every agent who has paid the same (including the Candidate, in case of payment made by him), and delivered, with the bills and vouchers relative thereto, to the Returning Officer; and the Returning Officer for the time being shall, at the expense of the Candidate, within fourteen days, publish, or cause to be published, in the manner to be from time to time provided by the Governor in Council, an abstract of such statement, with the signature of the Agent thereto; and any Agent or Candidate who makes default in

delivering to the Returning Officer the statement required by this section, shall incur a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars for every day during which he so makes default; and any Agent or Candidate who wilfully furnishes to the said Returning Officer an untrue statement shall be guilty of a misdemeanor; and the said Returning Officer shall preserve all such bills and vouchers, and during six months, after they have been delivered to him, permit any Voter to inspect the same, on payment of a fee of one dollar."

Notice is hereby given, for the information of Candidates and Agents of Candidates, that the Governor in Council has, in pursuance of the said Act, provided that the abstract of expenses, as aforesaid, shall be published in the *Gazette*.

By Command.

A. ROCKE ROBERTSON,
Colonial Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

ESQUIMALT GRAVING DOCK.

THE Government of British Columbia invite tenders to be sent in to the Lands and Works Office, Victoria, up to noon of the 20th day of March, 1872, for the construction of a Graving Dock at Esquimalt, British Columbia, under the guarantee provided in the twelfth section of the Terms of Union of this Province with the Dominion of Canada, which section is in the following words:—

"The Dominion Government shall guarantee the interest for ten years from the date of the completion of the works, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, on such sums, not exceeding £100,000 sterling, as may be required for the construction of a first class Graving Dock at Esquimalt."

The Dock is to be of a clear length of not less than 450 feet, a clear breadth of 90 feet at top and 50 at bottom, and affording a depth of water, at ordinary high tide, of not less than 24 feet on the sill, and to be substantially built upon a site to be selected and provided by the party or parties tendering, subject to the approval of the Government. Parties tendering are required to specify the time within which they propose to complete the Dock.

Tenders are to be sealed, superscribed "Tenders for Esquimalt Graving Dock," and addressed to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, British Columbia, and accompanied by plans and drawings showing the exact dimensions of the Dock proposed to be built, the mode of construction, and materials to be used therein.

Parties desirous of tendering, but who may decline to do so under the guarantee above named as insufficient, are invited to tender on the basis of such supplemental guarantee by the Provincial Government, or other financial inducement as they may suggest.

HENRY HOLBROOK,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Office,
November 20th, 1871.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a tract of Land containing about 4,000 acres, situated on the North or right bank of Naas River, at its junction with Observatory Inlet, and extending from said Observatory Inlet about six miles up the Naas River, and about a mile back from the said North or right bank of said River, is reserved until further notice.

By Command.

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

Lands and Works Office,
Victoria, Sept. 1st, 1869.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Five Hundred Acres of Land, situated at the extremity of the south-west peninsula of Gambier Island, Howe Sound, is reserved until further notice.

By Command.

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

Lands and Works Office,
Victoria, April 6th, 1869

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that all the land at Baynes Sound, Vancouver Island, lying between the Reservations established by notices in the GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, dated respectively March 20th and May 1st, 1868, is reserved until further notice.

By Command.

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

Lands & Works Office, Victoria,
September 25th, 1868.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the tract of land, 20,000 acres in extent, situated on the south shore of Skidegate Bay, Queen Charlotte Island, formerly held under prospecting right by the Seymour Coal Company, is again reserved until further notice.

By Command.

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, August 7th, 1868.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Crown Grants of all Surveyed Lands in the former Colony of Vancouver Island and its Dependencies (excepting only those in Victoria District) as well as on the Mainland of British Columbia, the purchase money for which has been fully paid, will on proper application for the same, be at once issued.

Such Crown Grants will be made out invariably in the names of the original purchasers from Government, unless in such special cases as are provided for under the "Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870."

Applications must be made by letter, addressed to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works and Surveyor General, giving the Christian and Surnames, in full, of the Persons to whom the Crown Grants are to be made, and enclosing the receipts for the purchase money of the Land referred to.

Should it be inconvenient for the Person in whose name any such Crown Grant is made, to receive the same at this Office, it will be handed to any Agent duly authorized by some Instrument in writing to give a receipt for the same.

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

Lands & Works Office,
Victoria, Dec. 16th, 1870.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Tract of Land containing about Nine Thousand Six Hundred (9,600) acres, situate at the Head of Howe Sound and extending about Five Miles back in a Northerly direction, with a width of about Three Miles, situated equi-distantly on each side of the two branches of the Squawmisht River, is Reserved until further notice.

By Command.

B. W. PEARSE.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 23rd February, 1871.

NOTICE.**Applications for Crown Grants.**

NOTICE is hereby given, that all applications for Crown Grants, where the title is derived through others than the Crown, must be in duplicate, and must contain a Schedule of all Deeds and Instruments enclosed, with their respective dates. No application can be receive in this Office unless the above rule be complied with.

B. W. PEARSE.

Lands and Works Department,
30th May, 1871.

"Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I shall, in accordance with the provisions of "The Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870," and at the expiration of three months from the date hereof, recommend the issue of a Crown Grant to WILLIAM HUNT, of part of Section XLIV., Esquimalt District, unless objection be made to me in the meantime, in writing, against the issue thereof.

HENRY S. MASON,

Land Registry Office, Actg. Registrar General.
25th November, 1871.

"Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870."

NOTICE is hereby given, that I shall, in accordance with the provisions of the "Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870," and at the expiration of three months from the date hereof, recommend the issue of Crown Grants

To WILLIAM CURTIS WARD, of Sections 49, 50, 63, and 64, Lake District;

To HENRY ALEXANDER, of Section 1 East, 14 South, District of South Saanich;

To WILLIAM HERBERT EVANS, of Sections 24, and 25, Lake District;

To JOHN PIERCE, of Sections V. North, Range II. East, and V. North, Range III. East, District of North Saanich;

To HAMILTON ANSTRUTHER, of Sections XXXIII., XXXIV., and Cl. of Esquimalt District;

To WILLIAM REAY and CHARLES HENRY REAY, of Sections VII. and VIII. North, Range I. East, District of North Saanich;

To ROBERT WEIR, Section XXXI., Metchosin District; and Section XIII., Sooke District.

To JOSEPH WESTROP CAREY, Section XII., Lake District.

And to JOHN ASH, of Section XLVI. and XIII., Comox District; excepting out of the last mentioned Section, a piece of land at the South-western end thereof, (adjoining the land of Charles Green) measuring 5 chains north, by 20 chains east,

Unless objection be made to me, in writing, in the meantime against the issue thereof, respectively.

H. B. W. AIKMAN,

Land Registry Office, Registrar General.
16th December, 1871.

"Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I shall, in accordance with the provisions of the "Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870," and at the expiration of Three Months from the date hereof, recommend the issue of Crown Grants

To WILLIAM PARSONS SAYWARD, of East $\frac{1}{2}$ of Sections 1 and 2, and West $\frac{1}{2}$ of Sections 3 and 4, Range VI., Chemainus District;

To JAMES DOUGLAS WARREN, of Section 7, Range VII., Chemainus District;

And to EDWARD DAVIS HEATLEY and GEORGE CAMPBELL, of Lot 264, Group 1 (one) in the District of New Westminster;

Unless objection be made to me, in writing, in the meantime against the issue thereof respectively.

H. B. W. AIKMAN,

Land Registry Office, Registrar General.
23rd December, 1871.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
27th December, 1871.

HIS Excellency the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR directs the publication, for general information, of the following Merchant Shipping Act.

By Command.

A. ROCKE ROBERTSON.

Colonial Secretary.

CHAP. 110.

An Act to amend the Merchant Shipping Acts.

[21st August, 1871.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Merchant Shipping Acts :

Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

PRELIMINARY.

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Merchant Shipping Act, 1871.

Act to be construed with Merchant Shipping Acts.

2. This Act shall be construed as one with the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, and the Acts amending the same, and the said Acts and this Act may be cited collectively as the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1854 to 1871.

Commencement of Act.

3. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

REGISTRY (PART II. OF MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1854).

Particulars to be marked on ship before Registry.

4. Every British ship shall, before registry, be permanently and conspicuously marked, to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs, as follows ; that is to say,

Her name shall be marked on each of her bows, and her name and the name of her port of registry shall be marked on her stern, on a dark ground in white or yellow letters, of a length not less than four inches, and of proportionate breadth.

Her official number and the number denoting her registered tonnage shall be marked on her main beam.

A scale of feet shall be marked on her stem and on her stern post, in Roman capital letters or in figures, six inches in length, the lower line of such letters or figures to coincide with the draught line denoted thereby.

The Board of Trade may, however, exempt any class of ships from the requirements of this section or any of them.

If the said scale of feet is in any respect inaccurate, so as to be likely to mislead, the owner of the ship shall incur a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds.

The marks required by this section shall be permanently continued, and no alteration shall be made therein, excepting the event of any of the particulars thereby denoted being altered in the manner provided by the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1854 to 1871. Any owner or master of a ship who neglects to keep his ship marked as aforesaid, and any person who conceals, removes, alters, defaces, or obliterates, or suffers any person under his control to conceal, remove, alter, deface, or obliterate, any of the said marks, except in the event aforesaid, or except for the purpose of escaping capture by an enemy, shall for each offence incur a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds; and any principal officer of Customs may detain a ship which is insufficiently or inaccurately marked until the insufficiency or inaccuracy has been remedied; provided that no fishing vessel duly registered, lettered, and numbered in pursuance of the "Sea Fisheries Act, 1868," shall be required to have her name and port of registry marked under this section.

Ship's draught of water to be recorded.

5. The Board of Trade may, in any case or class of cases in which they think it expedient so to do, direct any person appointed by them for the purpose to record in such manner and with such particulars as the Board of Trade direct, the draught of water of any sea-going ship, as shown on the scale of feet on her

stem and on her stern post, upon her leaving any dock, wharf, or harbour for the purpose of proceeding to sea; and such person shall thereupon keep such record, and shall from time to time forward the same, or a copy thereof, to the Board of Trade; and such record, or any copy thereof, if produced by or out of the custody of the Board of Trade, shall be admissible in evidence of the draught of water of the ship at the time specified in the record.

The master of every British sea-going ship shall, upon her leaving any dock, wharf, port, or harbour for the purpose of proceeding to sea, record the draught of water in the official logbook (if any), and shall produce such record to any principal officer of Customs whenever required by him so to do, or in default of such production shall incur a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Rules to be observed in naming of Ships.

6. With respect to the names of British ships the following rules shall be observed :—

(1.) A ship shall not be described by any name other than that by which she is for the time being registered :

(2.) No change shall be made in the name of a ship without the previous permission of the Board of Trade signified in writing under their seal, or under the hand of one of their secretaries or assistant secretaries. Upon such permission being granted, the ship's name shall forthwith be altered in the register book, in the ship's certificate of registry, and on her bows and stern :

(3.) If in any case it is shown to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade that the name of any ship has been changed without such permission as aforesaid, they shall direct that her name be altered into that which she bore before such change, and the name shall be altered in the register book, in the ship's certificate of registry, and on her bows and stern accordingly :

(4.) Where a ship having once been registered has ceased to be so registered, no person, unless ignorant of such previous registry, (proof whereof shall lie on him), shall apply to register, and no registrar shall knowingly register such ship, except by the name by which she was previously registered, unless with the permission of the Board of Trade granted as aforesaid.

Every person who acts or suffers any person under his control to act in contravention of this section, or who omits to do, or suffers any person under his control to omit to do, anything required by this section, shall for each offence incur a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds, and any principal officer of customs may detain the ship until the provisions of this section are complied with.

Application for a change of name shall be made in writing to the Board of Trade. If the Board are of opinion that the application is made on reasonable grounds they may entertain the same, and shall thereupon require notice thereof to be published in such form and manner as they think fit.

MASTERS AND SEAMEN (PART III. OF MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1854).

Survey of ships alleged by seamen to be unseaworthy.

7. Whenever in any proceeding against any seaman or apprentice belonging to any ship for desertion, or for neglecting or refusing to join or to proceed to sea in his ship, or for being absent from or quitting the same without leave, it is alleged by one fourth of the seamen belonging to such ship, or, if the number of such seamen exceed twenty, by not less than five such seamen, that such ship is by reason of unseaworthiness, overloading, improper loading, defective equipment, or for any other reason, not in a fit condition to proceed to sea, or that the accommodation in such ship is insufficient, the court having cognizance of the case shall take such means as may be in their power to satisfy themselves concerning the truth or untruth of such allegation, and shall for that purpose receive the evidence of the person or persons making the same, and shall have power to summon any other witnesses whose evidence they may think it desirable to hear; the court shall thereupon, if satisfied that the allegation is groundless, proceed to adjudicate, but if not so satisfied shall cause such ship to be surveyed.

Provided that no seaman or apprentice charged with desertion, or with quitting his ship without leave, shall have any right to apply for a survey under this section unless previously to his quitting his ship he has complained to the master of the circumstances so alleged in justification.

For the purposes of this section, the court shall require any of the surveyors appointed by the Board of Trade, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, or any person appointed for the purpose by the Board of Trade, or, if such surveyor or person cannot be obtained without unreasonable expense or delay, or is not, in the opinion of the court, competent to deal with the special circumstances of the case, then any other impartial surveyor appointed by the court, and having no interest in the ship, her freight, or cargo, to survey the ship, and to answer any question concerning her which the court may think fit to put. Such surveyor or other person shall survey the ship, and make his report in writing to the court, including an answer to every question put to him by the court. The court shall cause such report to be communicated to the parties and unless it is proved to the satisfaction of the court that the opinions expressed in such report are erroneous, the court shall determine the questions before them in accordance with those opinions.

For the purposes of such survey, a surveyor shall have all the powers of any inspectors appointed by the Board of Trade, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854.

The costs (if any) of the survey shall be determined by the Board of Trade, according to a scale of fees to be fixed by them, and shall be paid in the first instance out of the Mercantile Marine Fund.

If it is proved to the satisfaction of the Court that the ship is in a fit condition to proceed to sea, or, as the case may be, that the accommodation is sufficient, the costs of the survey shall be paid by the person or persons upon whose demand, or in consequence of whose allegation, the survey was made, and may be deducted by the master or owner out of the wages due or to become due to such person or persons, and shall be paid over to the Board of Trade.

If it is proved that the ship is not in a fit condition to proceed to sea, or, as the case may be, that the accommodation is insufficient, the costs of the survey shall be paid to the Board of Trade by the master or owner.

Power for Naval Courts to direct survey of ships.

Any Naval Court may, if they think fit, direct a survey of any ship which is the subject of an investigation held before them, and such survey shall be made in the same way, and the Surveyor who makes the same shall have the same powers as if the same had been directed by a competent Court in the course of proceedings against a seaman or apprentice for desertion or a kindred offence.

SAFETY (PART IV. OF MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1854.)

In cases of collision Master to give name, &c., of vessel.

9. In every case of collision between two vessels it shall be the duty of the master of each vessel to give to the master of the other vessel the name of his own vessel, and of her port of registry, or of the port or place to which she belongs, and also the names of the ports or places from which and to which she is bound.

Any failure to give such information, except under circumstances which render it impossible or unnecessary to do so (proof of which shall lie on the master failing to give it), shall involve the same consequences as failure to render assistance to the other vessel, or to the master, crew, or passengers thereof.

In this section the term "vessel" includes any vessel used in navigation, however propelled.

Power to Board of Trade to declare ship unseaworthy.

10. If complaint is made to the Board of Trade that any British ship is by reason of the defective condition of her hull or equipments, unfit to proceed to sea, the Board may cause such ship to be surveyed by one of the surveyors appointed by them, and if such surveyor report that the hull or equipments of such ship is or are in such a state that she could not proceed to sea without serious danger to human life, the Board may declare such ship to be unseaworthy, and thereupon any principal officer of Customs may detain such ship.

Every such complaint shall be in writing, and shall state the name and address of complainant, and a copy of the complaint, including the name and address of the complainant, shall before or during such survey be given by the Board of Trade to the master or to an owner of the ship.

If, upon such survey, such ship is found to be seaworthy, the expenses of the survey shall be paid to the Board of Trade by the person making the com-

plaint, without prejudice to any right of suit or action against him by any person aggrieved by the complaint.

If, upon such survey, such ship is found to be unseaworthy, the expenses of the survey shall be paid to the Board of Trade by the owner of the ship.

Any shipowner who is dissatisfied with the decision of a surveyor under this section may appeal to any of the Courts mentioned in this section, having jurisdiction in the place where such ship was surveyed, and such Court may, if they think fit, appoint one or more competent persons to survey such ship anew, and any surveyor so appointed shall have the powers of a surveyor appointed by the Board of Trade. Upon any such appeal, the Court may make such order as to the detention or discharge of the ship, as to the payment of any costs and damages which may have been occasioned by her detention, and as to the payment of the expenses of the original survey and of the survey anew, as to the Court seems just.

The Courts to which appeal may be made shall be:

In England, any Court having jurisdiction under the County Court Admiralty Jurisdiction, 1868:

In Ireland, any Court having jurisdiction under the Court of Admiralty (Ireland) Act, 1867:

In Scotland, the Court of the Sheriff of the County.

Sending unseaworthy ship to sea, a misdemeanor.

11. Every person who, having authority as owner or otherwise to send a ship to sea, sends her to sea in an unseaworthy state so as to endanger the life of any person belonging to or on board the same, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, unless he proves that he used all reasonable means to make and keep the ship seaworthy, and was ignorant of such unseaworthiness, or that her going to sea in an unseaworthy state was, under the circumstances, reasonable and unavoidable, for this purpose he may give evidence in the same manner as any other witness. A misdemeanor under this section shall not be punishable on summary conviction.

Repeal of certain sections of 17 & 18 Vict., c. 104, and 18 & 19 Vict., c. 91.

12. On and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, the twenty-fifth and thirty-fourth sections of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, and the thirteenth section of the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1855, shall be repealed.

Order in Council.

IN THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL,

The 30th day of December, A. D. 1871.

PRESENT:

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,
The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,
The Hon. the Attorney-General,
The Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

WHEREAS by an Act of the Legislative Council of British Columbia, entitled "The Constitution Act, 1871," it is among other things provided as follows:—

"3. The Executive Council of British Columbia shall be composed of such persons as the Governor from time to time thinks fit, not exceeding five, and in the first instance shall include the following Officers, namely:—the Colonial Secretary, the Attorney-General, and the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

"4. When either of the offices held by the last mentioned Officers becomes vacant, that is to say, the office of Colonial Secretary, of Attorney-General, or of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, by the death, removal, or resignation of the present occupants, the Governor may appoint Officers to hold such offices respectively during pleasure, and may from time to time appoint other or additional officers to be members of the Executive Council, and to hold office during pleasure, and the Governor in Council may from time to time prescribe the duties of those officers and of the several Departments over which they shall preside, or to which they shall belong, and of the officers and clerks thereof."

And whereas it is expedient to proscribe the duties

of the Colonial Secretary, the Attorney-General, and the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, and of the several Departments over which they shall respectively preside, and of the Officers and Clerks of the said Departments respectively:

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby order, direct, and declare:—

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

That the duties of the Colonial Secretary shall be as follows:—

1. The said Colonial Secretary shall have the management and direction of the Department of Colonial Secretary.

2. He shall have the custody of the Public Seal of the Province, and shall affix the same to such documents, and no other, as by law he may be authorized to do.

3. He shall have charge of the Provincial correspondence, keep all State records and papers, not specially transferred to other Departments, and shall perform such other duties as shall from time to time be assigned to him by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

4. He shall register all Instruments of Summons, Commissions, Letters Patent, Writs, and other Instruments and Documents issued under the Public Seal of the Province.

5. He shall countersign all cheques issued by the Treasury, on behalf of the Province, for payments duly authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor, except when absent from the City of Victoria, or prevented from attending his office by illness, when such countersignature shall be made by the Assistant Colonial Secretary, as hereinafter provided.

6. He shall prepare, in each year, the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the following year.

7. He shall cause a proper record to be kept of all correspondence received by him on Provincial service, and shall attach his signature to all letters, papers, memoranda, or documents leaving the Colonial Secretary's Office, except in his absence or illness as aforesaid, when the signature of the Assistant Colonial Secretary shall be attached to such documents.

8. He shall have the supervision and control of the Printing Branch of the Colonial Secretary's Department, and of the printing of all public documents, proclamations, notices, and other matters.

9. It shall be the duty of the Colonial Secretary to oversee and direct the officers and servants of the Treasury and Audit Departments respectively, and to see that they do respectively perform their duties faithfully and honestly. The Colonial Secretary shall see—

- (1.) That all Revenue belonging to the Province, by whomsoever collected, be paid, as soon as possible, and received into the Treasury and accounted for:
- (2.) That all payments made on behalf of the Government are duly examined and checked by the officers of the Treasury:
- (3.) That accurate and proper accounts of all moneys received, and all expenditures made on behalf of the Government, are kept by the officers of the Treasury, and duly audited by the Audit branch of his Department:
- (4.) That financial statements or returns be made, whenever required by the Lieutenant-Governor, or any head of a Department:
- (5.) That a weekly statement of the balance in hand be made out and laid before the Lieutenant-Governor:
- (6.) That all moneys received at the Treasury be paid, as soon as possible after the receipt thereof, into the Bank of British Columbia, or such other Bank as the Lieutenant-Governor may direct:
- (7.) That no cheques be issued out of the Treasury, except in pursuance of warrants under the hand of the Lieutenant-Governor.

Assistant Colonial Secretary.

It shall be the duty of the Assistant Colonial Secretary, and he shall have authority (subject always to the head of the Department) to oversee and direct the other officers and servants of the Department; he shall have the general control of the business of the Department, and in the absence of the Colonial Secretary, and during such absence, may suspend from his duties any officer, clerk, or servant of the Department who refuses or neglects to obey his directions as such Assistant Colonial Secretary.

2. Whenever the Colonial Secretary shall be absent

from the City of Victoria, or shall be prevented from attending his office by reason of illness, the Assistant Colonial Secretary shall be empowered to sign all correspondence, documents, cheques, and vouchers which, in the ordinary course of business and in accordance with the foregoing order, should be signed by the Colonial Secretary.

Clerks.

It shall be the duty of the Clerks in the Department to obey and carry out the instructions of the Colonial Secretary and of the Assistant Colonial Secretary, in relation to any matter or business belonging to the Department of Colonial Secretary; and, also, to perform such duties as may be required of them from time to time, or at any time, by the head of any other Department to whom their services may have been assigned temporarily by the Colonial Secretary, or the Assistant Colonial Secretary.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

The duties of the Attorney-General shall be as follows:—

He shall be the official legal adviser of the Lieutenant-Governor, and the legal member of the Executive Council of British Columbia. It shall be his duty to see that the administration of public affairs is in accordance with law. He shall advise the Lieutenant-Governor upon the Legislative Acts and proceedings of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia; and, generally, advise the Lieutenant-Governor upon all matters of law referred to him by the Lieutenant-Governor. He shall advise the heads of the several Departments of the Government upon all matters of law connected with such Departments, on being requested by them respectively so to do. He shall be charged with the settlement and approval of all instruments issued under the public seal of the Province; and of all leases of whatever description that may be granted by or on behalf of the Crown. He shall have the regulation and conduct of all litigation for or against the Crown or any Public Department, in respect of any subjects within the authority or jurisdiction of the Province, and he shall also prepare and settle the drafts of all bills to be introduced as Government measures into the Legislative Assembly. He shall also have the charge and supervision of the Magistracy, Police, and Constabulary throughout the Province.

Clerk.

It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Attorney-General to obey and carry out the instructions of the Attorney-General, in relation to any matter or business belonging to the Department of the Attorney-General; and, also, to perform such duties as may be required of him by the head of any other Department to whom his services may have been assigned temporarily by the Attorney-General.

CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF LANDS AND WORKS.

The Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works shall have charge of all official maps now in his Department, or that may hereafter be prepared in his Department, and of the correspondence between his Department and the various Assistant Commissioners of Lands and Works throughout the Province, and between his Department and the public generally, on subjects connected with his Department, and shall keep proper records thereof.

He shall keep records of all leases and pre-emptions, and all papers not specially transferred to other Departments, and shall prepare and issue all Crown Grants of lands in the Province, duly recording all documents connected with such issue; and shall perform such other duties as shall from time to time be assigned to him by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

It shall be his duty to superintend the carrying out, in all its details, of any plan or scheme for promoting Immigration, which the Government may set on foot, or in which the Government may decide to co-operate with the Dominion Government.

He shall superintend the construction and repair of roads, bridges, and buildings for the public service, and for that purpose shall cause plans and specifications of such works to be prepared; and shall, when the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall so determine, invite tenders, and award contracts, and make and enter into agreements with contractors, and shall examine and receive or reject any work done under such contracts, and make payments therefor.

He shall, in all proper cases, grant permission to applicants to pre-empt any unoccupied, unsurveyed,

and unreserved Crown Lands; issue Crown Grants; and grant leases of Crown Lands.

He shall, under instructions from the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, receive, deal with, and dispose of all applications for rights of ferry, and bridge rights, privileges, and concessions.

He shall have charge of all surveys made throughout the Province, by or on behalf of the Government, and of the preparation of all maps that it may be intended to issue as official maps.

It shall be his duty to oversee and direct the Assistant Commissioners of Lands and Works throughout the Province, and to issue instructions to them, and to receive reports and returns from them.

It shall be his duty to dispose of all useless or worn out material by Auction, unless a sale thereof by private contract shall be specially authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

It shall be his duty to account for, and pay into the Treasury, all moneys received by him, or any person or persons on his behalf, as soon as possible.

Surveyor-General.

It shall be the duty of the Surveyor-General, generally, to carry out the instructions from time to time given to him by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works; and, particularly, to superintend the execution of all professional work required to be done in or by the Department. And he shall have authority (subject always to the head of the Department) to oversee and direct the other officers and servants of the Department. He shall have the general control of the business of the Department, and in the absence of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, and during such absence, may suspend from his duties any officer, clerk, or servant of the Department who refuses or neglects to obey his directions as such Surveyor-General.

Whenever the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works shall be absent from the City of Victoria, or shall be prevented from attending his office by reason of illness, the Surveyor-General shall be empowered to sign all correspondence, documents, cheques, and vouchers which, in the ordinary course of business and in accordance with the foregoing order, should be signed by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Accountant.

It shall be the special duty of the Accountant to keep the accounts of the Department, in such manner as may be prescribed by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works; to examine vouchers and financial returns from the Assistant Commissioners throughout the Province, and prepare and furnish weekly collectorate returns to the Colonial Secretary, and whenever required. He shall also assist in the general work of the Department, when so required by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Other Assistants.

It shall be the duty of the clerks and other servants belonging to the Department of Lands and Works to obey and carry out the instructions of the head of the Department, or of the Surveyor-General, in relation to any matter or business belonging to the Department of Lands and Works; and, also, to perform such other duties as may, from time to time, or at any time, be required of them by the head of any other Department to whom their services may have been assigned temporarily by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Proclamations.

[L.S.] JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, on the fourth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, to have been commenced and held, and every of you:—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

J. F. McCREIGHT, } WHEREAS the meeting of the
Attorney-General. } Legislature or Parliament
of the Province of British Columbia stands called for
the Fourth day of January, one thousand eight hundred
and seventy-two, at which time, at Our City of
Victoria, you were held and constrained to appear:

NOW KNOW YE that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to relieve you and each of you of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining, you and each of you, that on THURSDAY, the TWENTY-FIFTH day of the month of JANUARY, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, you meet Us in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of Victoria, and therein to do as may seem necessary.

Herein fail not.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of British Columbia to be hereunto annexed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and well-beloved JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our said Province of BRITISH COLUMBIA, in Our City of VICTORIA, in Our said Province, this THIRTIETH day of NOVEMBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and in the thirty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD WOODS,
Registrar S. C.

[L.S.]

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

J. F. McCREIGHT, } WHEREAS the Writs for the
Attorney-General. } Election of Members to
serve in the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia
for the Electoral Districts of Yale and Lillooet, are
directed to be returned on or before the 20th day of
November instant; and the Writs for the Electoral
Districts of Cariboo and Kootenay, are directed to be
returned on or before the 26th day of December
proximo.

And whereas it is doubtful, owing to the difficulty of communication at this season of the year, and other causes, whether the Writs can be so returned by the said 20th instant and 26th proximo respectively.

And whereas it is expedient to extend the time for the return of the said Writs for the said Electoral Districts of Yale, Lillooet, Cariboo, and Kootenay.

And whereas by Section 89 of the "Election Regulation Act, 1871," the Governor in Council is empowered to cause to be adopted such measures as may be necessary for removing any obstacle, or the doing of, or omission to do, any act of a technical or formal nature, by which, or by want of which, the due course of an Election may be impeded.

NOW, KNOW YE, that for the purpose of giving the Returning Officers of the Electoral Districts of Yale, Lillooet, Kootenay, and Cariboo, further time to return the said Writs, the Governor in Council has extended the time for the return of the said Writs for the Electoral Districts of Yale, Lillooet, Cariboo, and Kootenay; and that the Writs for the Electoral Districts of Yale and Lillooet shall be returned on or before the 20th day of December, proximo; and the Writs for the Electoral Districts of Cariboo and Kootenay shall be returned on or before the 26th day of January, A. D. 1872; and the Returning Officers are to govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of Our said Province of British Columbia to be hereunto attached: WITNESS, the Honorable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our said Province

of BRITISH COLUMBIA, in Our City of VICTORIA, in Our said Province, this TWENTIETH day of NOVEMBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and in the thirty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD WOODS,
Registrar, S. C.

Miscellaneous Notices.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that JOHN HAMILTON GRAY, of the City of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, intends to apply in the next ensuing Term of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, at the expiration of two months from the date hereof, to the said Court, at the City of Victoria, to be admitted, enrolled, and allowed to practise as a Barrister-at-Law in the Superior Courts of Law in British Columbia.

Dated this fifteenth day of July, A. D. 1871.

EDWIN JOHNSON,
Solicitor, Masonic Hall, Victoria.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

IT is hereby publicly notified, that the LIGHTSHIP, at the Mouth of Fraser River, having been seriously injured by the late gales, has been removed for repairs, and will not be in position again for some time.

Due notice will be given of the date on which the light will be re-lit.

J. W. TRUTCH,
for the Minister of Marine and Fisheries.
16th November, 1871.

THE Lieutenant-Governor, on behalf of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, directs the following Notice to be published for general information:—

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

THE IRON BUOYS marking the channel on the Sand Heads of FRASER RIVER, have been placed in position. The only directions necessary for Vessels of light draft entering Fraser River, is to pass all can buoys on the port hand; while nunn buoys, which are painted red, must be passed on the star-board hand. For Vessels of greater draft a Pilot would be necessary.

20th November, 1871.

JAMES COOPER.

NOTICE.

LAYING OVER CLAIMS.

ON and after 1st November, 1871, all Mining Claims in Cariboo District are hereby "Laid Over" until 20th May, 1872.

H. M. BALL,
A. G. C.

OMINECA MINING COURT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on and after the 15th October, all Mining Claims legally held in the Omineca District, will be laid over until the 1st day of June, 1872.

P. O'REILLY,
Gold Commissioner.
Omineca,
October 13th, 1871.

MAPLE BAY,
1st January, 1872.

IN COMPLIANCE with Section 21 of "The Corrupt Practices Prevention Act, 1871", the following detailed Statements of the Expenses incurred for or on behalf of two Candidates in my Electoral District is herewith published.

JNO. MORLEY,
Returning Officer,
Cowichan District.

THE ACCOUNT OF T. J. SKINNER, Esq.

Expenses to Salt Spring Island, Kokersaila, and Shawnigan.....	\$15 00
Stationery	50
Postage	1 00
	<hr/> \$16 50

(Signed) THOS. JAS. SKINNER.

[THE ACCOUNT OF EDWIN PIMBURY, Esq.

Printing Circulars	\$3 00
Stationery	1 50
Postage	3 00
Travelling Expenses.....	23 00
	<hr/> \$30 50

I certify that the above statement is a correct account of Electioneering Expenses incurred by me.

(Signed) EDWIN PIMBURY.

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